

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

STRIKES AND THREATS OF STRIKES. MEETINGS OF WORKMEN YESTERDAY—AGITATION IN VARIOUS TRADES.

The German Bakers' Protective Union, held a mass-meeting yesterday morning in Irving Hall. Paul Lossan, George Block and others addressed the meeting on the necessity of making some action, which the bakers had taken in their recent strike, and of still further action to protect themselves from the movements of the boss bakers, who were organizing unions for the protection of their interests. The speakers said that while the recent strike had resulted in complete victory for the workmen, they feared that when the bakers did secure sufficient help composed of nonunion men, they would then dispense with their services.

It was urged upon the members of the union to take all possible means to increase and strengthen their organization, that the hostile advances of the Boss Bakers' Union could be met with success.

The Executive Committee of the German Boss Bakers' Union met at No. 144 East Fifteenth, yesterday to take measures in the establishment of a bureau, which will be open for the employment of all journeyman bakers who will comply with the conditions of the bosses, and to report the action taken by the bakers of the several nationalities in this city regarding the movements of nonunion men, to raise the price of bread. It was decided that an erroneous impression had been given the public of the proposition to increase the price of bakery products. It is proposed to raise the price of bread, but the weight of the loaves is to be increased correspondingly, and the price of bread is much less than the present way of producing it.

While the boss bakers do much in any way at present to conform to the demands of the union men, they wish to lessen the hours of work for their employees so that a satisfactory agreement may exist between them and that number of hours may be reduced to twelve.

The Carpenters' Union held a mass-meeting yesterday at the Teeknot Inn, where reports from the several parts of the city were received, and by them it was shown that the carpenters in almost every instance, had had their demands acceded to. To insure a continuance of their present rate of wages, it was resolved to use measures for the permanent retention of the large number of workmen now belonging to the union, having frequent meetings and reports from all shop employing union men.

The recent useless attempt of the car-drivers to make a general strike, it is rumored, has only made them more anxious to enforce a demand for either an increase of wages or fewer hours work. Since the failure of the strike on the Hudson River, of the Third Avenue Line, to bring the drivers into an organization of all the drivers on the several lines in the city, and to strike in a body, how far this scheme is matured it is hard to learn. The drivers are reticent, and invariably disclaim any knowledge of a movement among them for another strike.

From such sources of information as can be found by THE TRIBUNE, it is thought that the strike will be soon made, perhaps this week; it is said to depend entirely upon the result of the efforts to combine the men. Some of the companies are making preparations to meet any emergency. The Third Avenue Line recently discharged two drivers who were thought to be agitators.

THE DECORATION DAY PROGRAMME.

PARADE OF MILITARY AND CIVIC SOCIETIES IN FIFTH-AVE.—EXERCISES AT THE ACADEMY IN THE ACADEMY.

Preparations are making by the Grand Army of the Republic and other organizations for celebrating Decoration Day, May 30. A Memorial Committee, consisting of one from each Post of the Grand Army, has general charge of the exercises. Colonel Edward H. Kent has been appointed chairman. Colonel Edward M. Earle will act as adjutant-general. The Memorial Committee and the officers of the day have their offices at No. 171 Broadway. An auxiliary committee has also been appointed, of which Ferdinand P. Earle is chairman and treasurer. This committee has already secured contributions for the expenses of the celebration to the amount of about \$2,700.

The grand procession will form at Forty-second street, and Fifth-ave., and march down Fifth-ave., to Washington-square. All the Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, the whole First Division of the National Guard, all the men that can be spared from the Military, Naval and Marine Corps in the neighborhood of the city, and members of the Military Academy, Parkville, the Gatling Gun Battery, the Elizabeth, the United Order of American, several German singing societies, and many other civic societies will take part in the parade. At Washington-square the procession will be reviewed by the Secretary of War Robert Lincoln. After the review the organizations will disperse to their regular exercises, and will then go through the exercises prescribed by the men of the Grand Army of the Republic. In the evening a meeting will be held at the Academy of Music. At this meeting Postmaster-General James will preside, on invitation of Henry E. Davies, the chairman of the Memorial Committee. At the meeting general orators will be Wayne Macmillan, who will be one of the speakers. Several other prominent men will probably be present and speak. Gilmore's Band will furnish the instrumental music, and there will also be singing by several solo singers and by a chorus of men's voices. Admission to the meeting will be by tickets, which will be sold by the Memorial Committee to defray the expense of the celebration. There is no admission charge, it is proposed to devote it to the maintenance of this city, a monument to the heroes who fell in the late war, and what as yet have not had any public memorial erected in this city to their memory.

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PHASES OF SELF-MURDER.

Elias S. Weil, a German about forty-eight years old, committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself to the door of his room at No. 75 Seventh-st. He was a widower and lived alone in a small room on the top floor of the tenement house. He seldom spoke to the other inmates of the building, and his manners were very bad. It is said he had a poor living, and that he was insane. He earned a poor living by peddling small articles in the street. The police were unable to learn that he had any relatives in this city to their memory.

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RESCUING A BARKER'S CREW AT SEA.

The Anchor Line Steamship Utopia, which arrived yesterday, from London, had a succession of heavy gales and rather bad weather during nearly the entire passage. In latitude 46° 59' north, long 37° 45' west, May 15, the Norwegian bark Sophie of Christiansand from Christiansand for the Magdalena River, was in a sinking condition. In a heavy revolving gale the day previous the main-top-gallant-mast was carried away, the sails were blown in ribbons, and the vessel was thrown on her beam ends, causing the ballasts to shift. The crew spent the night in the hold, and when the ship was to keep her head to the wind, the ballast shifted, and the ship was hoisted up by the anchor. The crew worked all night to get the ballast back again, and when spoken by the Utopia the men were exhausted from exposure and want of food and water, the latter having been destroyed by the salt water. The captain and crew, fifteen persons in all, were taken off the bark and brought to this port.

BEATEN IN A LODGING HOUSE.

Jacob, a young twenty-eight, a German, who has a West Hoboken home in this city on Washington-st., went at a late hour to the lodging-house at No. 217 East Third-st. Early yesterday morning he went to the Eleventh Precinct Police Station, suffering from three severe scalp wounds, and said he had been assaulted by Ignatz Martin, the proprietor of the lodging-house, and a general of men who dwelt at the place. He was sent to Bellevue Hospital. The police went to the lodging-house intending to arrest the German's assailants, but the men had made their escape.

DESIDRING REGULAR PAY-DAYS.

A meeting of the employees of the elevated railroads was held last Wednesday night for the purpose of considering what measures might be taken to induce the Manhattan Railway Company officers to designate certain dates in each month upon which to pay the salaries, and that the men did pay days have been irregular, and that the men did not receive their salaries for April until last Monday. The landlords, grocers and others to whom they were indebted had made threats to eject them

from their houses or to prosecute them, and the men were refused credit any longer in some instances. A committee of eight, equally representing the four divisions, was appointed, with instructions to wait upon the railway officers and request that they designate the 4th and 18th of each month from the time for paying the employees. The committee will appear before President Gallaway to-morrow.

HIGHWAY ROBBERS IN CUSTODY.

Francis S. Collard, and his brother John were arraigned before Justice Power at the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday on charges of assault and highway robbery preferred by William Smith, of No. 109 West Twenty-first-st., who said that while passing through Sixteenth-st., Saturday morning he was assaulted by the prisoners, who robbed him of \$71. The men admitted guilt, and admitted striking him, but denied robbing him.

James Relph, who will sail for Ireland this week, delivered his farewell lecture on "The Irish Land War" last evening at Steinway Hall.

The Council of the University of the City of New York, meets to-night to consider further the advisability of closing the academic department.

BURNS THAT PROVED FATAL.

Patrick Broughton, of No. 148 West Thirteenth-st., who was injured by the fire at No. 253 West Twenty-ninth-st., on Saturday evening, died yesterday at the New-York Hospital from the effects of his burns. Patrick Broughton, the organ builder, who was burned at the fire, was said to be improving.

NEW OFFICERS OF THE ETCHING CLUB.

The following were elected officers of the New-York Etching Club at the annual meeting Friday: Henry Farmer, president; Thomas C. Hart, secretary; Thomas S. Chace and F. Durlach, Executive Committee; Peter Moran and Stephen Parfitt, of Philadelphia, were elected non-resident members.

BROOKLYN.

The body of a man in an advanced stage of decomposition was recovered yesterday from the water at the foot of Degraw-st. The apparent age was thirty-five years.

A detective of the Sixth Precinct yesterday arrested Henry Kessel on the charge of interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty. Tuesday evening, while the detective was taking Charles Biddle to the station after arresting him for wire-tapping, Kessel endeavored to rescue him, and took away the officer's club and belt. These were afterward returned by another man.

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Patrolman Weiss of the New-York Harbor Police, was rowing in a small boat along the Brooklyn shore of the East River Sunday morning, when he saw a boat manned by six men, who were evidently becoming engaged in an altercation with Philip Weiss, of the Park. Weiss was stabbed in the right thigh and right arm. A doctor attended him at his home, No. 204 McDougal-st., and pronounced his injuries not serious. Four arrests were made by the police in connection with the case.

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